

## **Claims**

1 (Currently Amended). A universal carrying device, comprising:  
a first substantially rectangular cover having a ledge, wherein the ledge reduces the chances of the universal carrier from dislodging from behind a user's belt;  
a substantially rectangular carrier having an opening wherein the substantially rectangular carrier has a hinge line that divides the opening, wherein the hinge line divides the substantial rectangular carrier into a first part and a second part and allows the first part to pivot about the hinge line; and  
a hinge attaching the first substantially rectangular cover to the first substantially rectangular carrier.

2 (Original). The device of claim 1, wherein the hinge is a living hinge.

3 (Original). The device of claim 1, further including a carrier adapter that engages the opening.

4 (Original). The device of claim 1, wherein the hinge line extends across the opening.

5 (Original). The device of claim 3, wherein the opening has a narrow end and a fat end, the fat end is near the hinge.

6 (Original). The device of claim 1, wherein the first substantially rectangular cover snap fits with the substantially rectangular carrier.

7 (Original). The device of claim 1, further including a lip along a portion of the substantially rectangular cover.

8(Currently Amended). A universal carrying device, comprising:

a first substantially planar cover having a slot for holding a card;

a second substantially planar cover having an opening wherein the substantially rectangular carrier has a hinge line that divides the opening into a first portion and a second portion, wherein the hinge line divides the substantial rectangular carrier into a first part and a second part and allows the first part to pivot about the hinge line; and

a hinge attaching the first substantially planar cover and the second substantially planar cover wherein the first substantially planar cover snap fits with the second substantially planar cover.

9 (Cancelled).

10(Previously Presented). The device of claim 8, wherein the first substantially planar cover has a ledge, wherein the ledge reduces the chances of the universal carrier from dislodging from behind a user's belt.

11(Original). The device of claim 8, further including a carrier adapter that engages the opening.

12(Original). The device of claim 8, wherein the opening has a wide end and a narrow end.

13(Original). The device of claim 10, wherein the first substantially planar cover has a flange along a portion of the lip.

14(Original). The device of claim 8, wherein the hinge is a living hinge.

15(Currently Amended). A universal carrying device, comprising:

a first substantially planar cover having a lip along a portion of a periphery of the first substantially planar cover having a ledge, wherein the ledge reduces the chances of the universal carrier from dislodging from behind a user's belt;

a second substantially planar cover having an opening wherein the substantially rectangular carrier has a hinge line that divides the opening into a first portion and a second portion, wherein the hinge line divides the substantial rectangular carrier into a first part and a second part and allows the first part to pivot about the hinge line; and

a living hinge attaching the first substantially planar cover and the second substantially planar cover.

16(Previously Presented). The device of claim 15, wherein the hinge line is a living hinge in the second substantially planar cover.

17(Original). The device of claim 15, wherein the first substantially planar cover snap fits into the second substantially planar cover.

18(Original). The device of claim 15, wherein the first substantially planar cover has a printing surface.

19(Original). The device of claim 15, wherein the first substantially planar cover has a cut out.

20(Original). The device of claim 15, further including a carrier adapter that engages the opening.